

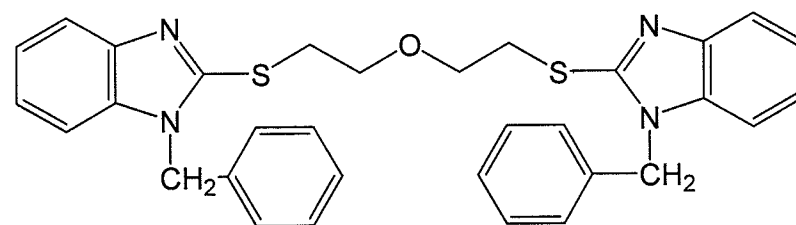
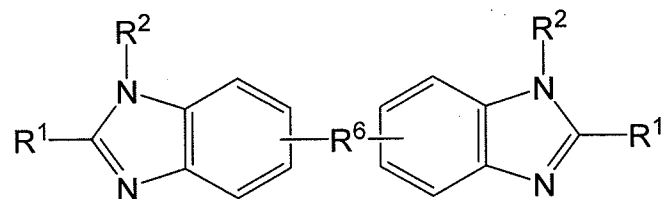
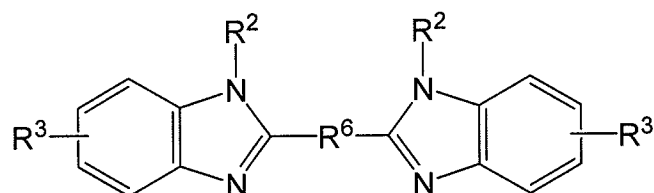
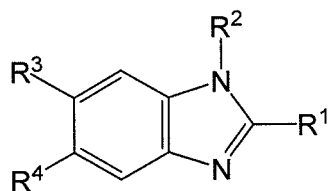
## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

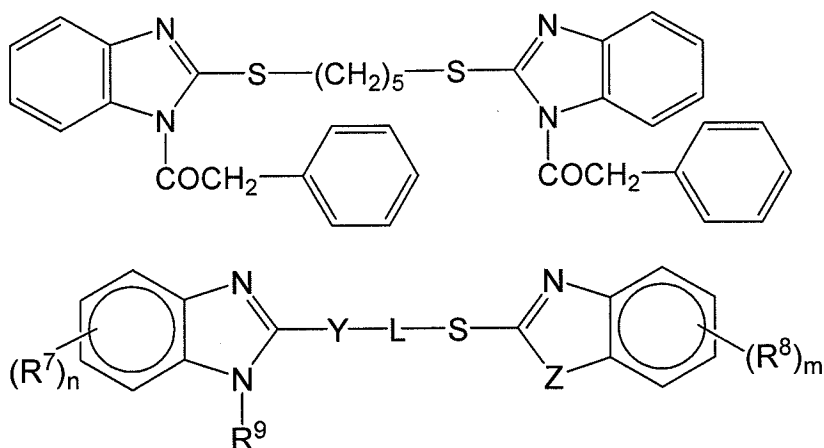
**This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:**

### **LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

**1. (currently amended):** A liposome containing as membrane components (i) an active ingredient of a medicament for prophylactic and/or therapeutic treatment of a vascular disease caused by abnormal proliferation of vascular smooth muscle cells, (ii) a phosphatidylcholine, and (iii) a phosphatidylserine,

wherein the active ingredient comprises a benzimidazole derivative represented by at least one of the following formulas:





wherein

$\text{R}^1$  represents a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, an aryl group, a mercapto group, an alkylthio group, an alkenylthio group, an arylthio group or a heterocyclo group;

$\text{R}^2$  represents a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group, provided that the alkyl group is not substituted by a hydroxyl group;

$\text{R}^3$  and  $\text{R}^4$  each independently represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a nitro group,  $\text{R}^5\text{O}-$ ,  $\text{R}^5\text{CONH}-$ ,  $\text{R}^5\text{NHCO}-$ ,  $(\text{R}^5)_2\text{NCO}-$ ,  $\text{R}^5\text{SO}_2\text{NH}-$ ,  $\text{R}^5\text{NHSO}_2-$ ,  $\text{R}^5\text{OCO}-$ ,  $\text{R}^5\text{COO}-$  or  $\text{R}^5\text{NHCONH}-$  where  $\text{R}^5$  represents an alkyl group or an aryl group;

$\text{R}^6$  represents a divalent group;

$\text{Y}$  represents a single bond or a sulfur atom;

$\text{Z}$  represents an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, or  $\text{N}-\text{R}^{10}$ ;

$\text{R}^7$  and  $\text{R}^8$  independently represent a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, or an alkyl group;

$\text{R}^9$  and  $\text{R}^{10}$  independently represent a hydrogen atom, a alkyl group, or an acyl group;

$n$  and  $m$  independently represent an integer of 1, 2, or 3; and

$\text{L}$  represents a linking group such as a  $\text{C}_{2-12}$  alkylene group or an alkylene group containing one or more phenylene groups or ether groups, and

the molar ratio of the phosphatidylcholine to the phosphatidylserine is about 1:1,  
wherein the liposome is prepared by combining (i), (ii), and (iii) in a mixture at the same  
time.

**2-3. (canceled).**

**4. (previously presented):** The liposome according to Claim 1, which contains as a membrane component a phosphoric acid dialkyl ester which is a diester of an alkyl containing 6 or more carbon atoms.

**5. (original):** A medicament for prophylactic and/or therapeutic treatment of a vascular disease caused by abnormal proliferation of vascular smooth muscle cells, which comprises the liposome according to Claim 1.

**6. (original):** The medicament according to Claim 5, which is for prophylactic and/or therapeutic treatment of arteriosclerosis.